

Still in Starnberg
9 October 1945
Tuesday

My Dearest,

Hello, honey. Sorry I did not write the last two nights, but there just wasn't much to write about and I was really busy keeping myself busy.

Sunday morning we turned in the vans, tractors, trucks, weapons carrier, jeep, and all the files to the 39th MRU at Third Army headquarters. The 38th MRU is "kaput" "finis." All of the men have been transferred to 39th MRU at Army but only the men with fewer points than 65 had to go there for duty. All of us with 65 and up are still in Starnberg awaiting another transfer to a unit going home, and have been told that we will leave Thursday (the day after tomorrow). In the meantime we are doing little of nothing and enjoying it. We have a few cleanup details left at the lot, office, and house but the rest of the time is our own.

Sunday evening I went to the EM Club with the gang, drank two beers, and entered in ye olde "bull" session. Last night I went to the movie at the Red Cross Club and saw James Cagney and
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Sylvia Sidney in "Blood on the Sun." It was good entertainment. We got back to the house about the time the World Series game was tied up and heard the thrilling 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th innings of the sixth and final game of the season. Lost eight bucks on that game, too, but I won one pool a few nights ago and one six dollar bet so ended up twelve dollars winner on the series.

After the ball game was over we got a crap game going and had about a third of the unit in it. It was a very big game and I was luckier than ever before in my life. My sixty bucks doubled and trebled and kept going. We finally ended about two o'clock this morning with about four of us winner and I had the bigger portion of the winnings. Right quick like this morning I got two one hundred dollar money orders. One of them I am enclosing in this letter and the other I will send in a separate envelope.

I hope that by this time you have received the hundred dollar money order I sent pay day. Like the money order I sent then I want you to cash
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these two and deposit them in the bank. When I get home we will have that long awaited honeymoon and I want one hundred put aside for a surprise. I want to buy you after I get home.

Now we can do that honeymoon up in style, honey. Be thinking about where you want to go about December 1st. Just count me in on whatever you plan. OK?

Incidentally, honey, don't worry about me acquiring any gambling habits. My will power is a lot stronger than when I left home and I can take it or leave it without any effort. Right now and for the two or three weeks we will be shifting around from one place to another without a job to do the card games and dice provide a side interest and a pastime to keep us occupied. I still have over seventy-five dollars left and intend to play pinochle or poker or dice whenever there are games and I still have the money. If I win ok - if I lose ok. It will be amusement and a pastime. Last night was unusual and an experience that is rare. We can have a good time with that money or use the money to
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very good advantage on a down-payment
for furniture or the home we want
so badly.

Well, darling, that is all the news this
morning. I will close for now, but will
enclose one money order in this envelope
and one in another. Deposit the money so
we can spend it together.

Goodbye now, darling. All my love to
you and Laura. Be seeing you soon.

Yours forever,

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